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***Town Council Meeting
BVFC, East Fifth Street, Blades, DE
7:00PM
October 14, 2019***

Present: Mayor John Reiss, Vice-Mayor Lee Benningfield, Councilor Michael J. Smith, Councilor Ashley Hudson, Councilor Donald Trice, Water Supervisor Brandon Slater, Town Administrator Lisa Marks and Town Clerk Karen Raines.

Meeting Opened at 7:00 pm with the Lord's Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance.

Minutes from the September 09, 2019, Town Council Meeting: Motion to accept in written form by Councilor Michael J. Smith; seconded by Vice-Mayor Lee Benningfield; Motion passed. Vice-Mayor Lee Benningfield - Yes, Councilor Ashley Hudson – Yes, Councilor Donald Trice - Yes. Carried

Police Report – No report at the time of this meeting.

BEDCO – No report at the time of this meeting.

P&Z – Submitted and Read by Councilor Donald Trice.

❖ Committee Reports:

- Housing/Code – Report submitted by Code Enforcement Officer, Marcus Trammell; read by Councilor Trice.
- Water report - Submitted by Water Supervisor, Brandon Slater; read by Councilor Hudson. Water tower painting has begun and is in progress. Councilor Hudson reminded disconnect door hangers for water accounts are no longer being delivered.
- Streets – No report at the time of this meeting.
- Parks & Cemeteries- Submitted and read by Councilor Smith. Parks will be winterized week of October 21, 2019.
- Police Report – No report at the time of this meeting.
- Mayor's Report – Report submitted and read by Mayor Reiss. Blades Volunteer Fire Company has offered to allow the Town to use their Second Floor Meeting Room for Town Council meetings until repairs have been made to Hardin Hall.
- Town Administrator Report – Report submitted and read by Town Administrator Lisa Marks;



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❖ New Business:

- Halloween Trick-or-Treating will be on Thursday, October 31, 2019, from 6-8 pm for ages 12 years old and under.
- Open sealed bids for 2009 surplus Crown Victoria – Motion to accept highest bid of 650.00 from Shawn Joseph for the 2009 Crown Victoria by Councilor Donald Trice, seconded by Councilor Michael J. Smith; Motion passed. Vice-Mayor Lee Benningfield - Yes, Councilor Ashley Hudson – Yes. Carried
- Hardin Hall repair – Mayor John Reiss informed Council that the repairs on Hardin Hall are at a standstill until the 2017 Audit is complete.

❖ Old Business:

- Ordinance 420B-B: Second Reading – Motion to pull Ordinance 420B-B by Vice-Mayor Lee Benningfield, seconded by Councilor Ashley Hudson; Motion passed. Councilor Michael J. Smith - Yes, Councilor Donald Trice – Yes. Carried
- Vacant Building Ordinance 434: First Reading – Read by Vice-Mayor Lee Benningfield. Motion to adopt Ordinance 434 by Vice-Mayor Lee Benningfield, seconded by Councilor Donald Trice. Carried

❖ Good of the Community:

- Sewer work may have damaged the roads in Little Meadows. Councilor Joseph will check status to determine if the roads need to be repaved.

Mayor Reiss closed the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,
Karen Raines
Town Clerk